

THE CHURCH OF GOD EVANGEL

"And when the day of Pentecost was fully come they were all with one accord in one place," Acts 2:1. "And they were all filled with the Holy Ghost and began to speak with other tongues as the Spirit gave them utterance," Acts 2:4.

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"Holiness Becometh Thine House, O Lord, For Ever"

"Unto Him be Glory in the Church by Christ Jesus Throughout all Ages, World Without End"

My Message Today Is To The Ministry

A Few Thoughts From The Sermon Delivered At the Assembly by F. J. Lee.

There was no speaker placed for this subject, but some of the brethren have suggested that I take it up, so I have consented to talk for a few minutes, taking for a text 2 Timothy 4:5, which is as follows, "But watch thou in all things, endure afflictions, do the work of an evangelist, make full proof of thy ministry."

This was spoken to Timothy a young minister and of course the same admonition applies to the ministry of today. Truly the call to the ministry is the greatest call that could come to the children of men. It is true there are other callings such as to the throne, to the presidency, etc. No one could doubt that God laid His hand on George Washington, Abraham Lincoln and many others we could mention. Washington was known to have been a praying man, also was Lincoln. Many times in serious difficulties they would lean heavily upon the Lord. While their calling was great I do not consider it so great as the call to preach the everlasting gospel.

God's ministers are called, "Ministers of the gospel," because they have a message of good news to tell to the dying world. They are also called, "Ministers of righteousness," because they are to be an example of right living. They are called, "Teachers," because God Himself has set teachers in the church for the express purpose of teaching His Word. They are called, "Watchmen," because they watch for your souls. They are called, "Shepherds," because as a shepherd tenderly looks after his sheep, so does the minister in a pastoral way look after his flock. They are called "Stewards," because as a steward looks after the money, treasury and many other things so is the minister to look after many things in the house-hold of God, as Peter says, stewards of the manifold grace of God. They are referred to as "Soldiers," as a soldier is not to entangle himself with the affairs of this life, so also is the minister to not entangle himself so that he may do more efficient service in the gospel work. He is referred to as an "Ambassador," as an ambassador is sent to other countries to reconcile belligerents, so also the minister is sent as an ambassador to reconcile men unto God. The ministers are sometimes referred to as "Stars." As we look out on a starry night we remember that David said "the heavens declare the glory of God." As the stars help to dispel the darkness, so are ministers to shine within this benighted world, they are to declare the glory of God. They are sometimes referred to as "Angels." While John was on the Isle of Patmos, Jesus appeared to him and made mention of the angel of the church of Ephesus, Smyrna, etc. So if the ministry is referred to sometimes as angels, how good, how true we should be. I have heard of black angels. A man told me

New Church On East Coast Fla.

A tent meeting is now in progress at Lakeworth, Florida with good interest. We set the Church of God in order November 23, with fourteen members with others to follow. Many are looking this way with interest. Among the number that came into the church was a minister from Pitman Grove, N. J. He is an experienced minister and testified that for three years he had been patiently waiting before God for Him to lead him to a band of people that would defend THE WHOLE GOSPEL and he now could see how God had led him to the Church of God. It was indeed a glorious time when these faithful saints marched forward and took their stand for God in a united body. There seemed to be a halo of Glory pervading the tent, surely God was there.

It is marvelous how God has worked in getting this Gospel to Lakeworth. Some months ago Brother and Sister E. B. Johnson moved there and soon cottage meetings were started up, conducted by Brother Andrew Jensen. Soon they went to the City Auditorium and now they are in the tent. All this was brought about by faithful prayer. PRAYER CHANGES THINGS.

Those who know the worth of prayer remember the work at Lakeworth, Fla. Bro. J. A. Snyder is in charge. Yours in the master's service, PERRY W. HADSOCK, Gen. Del. Miami, Fla.

WANTS TO BE A WORKER FOR THE LORD

ROSENNA, Ky.—I was once saved and had the blessing of the Holy Ghost but yielded to temptation and backslid. I knew I would go to hell if I died but the Lord spared my life until I went to my knees and did my first work over. Now I feel so free, there's something in my heart that makes me want to be a worker for the Lord.—Ollie Arr.

one time that a black angel came to his bed, he had a very small head, also on his head a very black cap, this perhaps was an angel of the pit. We don't want any of our ministers to take on the nature of this angel, but as the text says, he must watch, watch in all things. We should watch our words, our conversation, even our appearance, we should keep clean. Moses had Aaron and his sons to always take a bath and put on clean clothes before they were allowed to go into the holy place. They wore robes and they were held in place with a girdle. Why not just let them hang loose? Because they had some respect to neatness. Those girdles were made of silk and embroidered and many times sent as presents to friends. I will just state here, this is a very common occurrence of this day and time, especially to offer a necktie as a present.

There are other things we as ministers should watch about, and that is inordinate affection. We are to have affection one for another, but with the opposite sex we are to treat the elder women as mothers and the younger women as sisters. Inordinate affection means going to an excess in our affection or unrestrained affection.

This is overthrowing many ministers, and should be guarded against very strenuously.

LET YOUR FACE BE LIKE THE DAYBREAK

M. S. Lemons

If things all around you seem dreary
And sorrows fall thick in the blast
Let your light shine in darkness,
Not looking at the things of the past;
Each one of us are apt to remember
That lights are brighter at night
And those who are living in sunshine,
Are not calling on others for light.

Every one's spirit is a candle,
To search out their deepest recess,
And every one knows of your failings,
By the mark of your saddest distress.
You are a living letter or epistle,
And are read by the vilest and bad
Like pictures on paper or canvas
They can tell when you're bitter or sad.

Get out and do something for Jesus,
Tell all of the glory it brings
Read of the Mansions in Glory,
And the joy when ransomed ones sing.
Don't look so forlorn and decrepid,
Nor talk of the sorrows you meet.
Tell of the glory and grandeur,
And sittings at the Master's feet.

Pray before leaving your cottage,
Till the rose is aglow in your face,
Then meet the world with pure gladness,
With words all seasoned with grace,
If you feel as bad as you look I'm sure,
Some times the world could not tell,
Whether you were a Christian or a hoodoo,
Or like others, a child of hell.

The religion of Jesus and heaven,
Brings joy for all on His side.
Some times He hopes to get jewels,
To be ready for His Bride;
Let us lift up our heads then Christians
And rejoice in His truth and hope,
And be on the outlook for the Bridegroom,
With whom we expect to elope.

GO FORWARD

THERE ARE GREAT POSSIBILITIES FOR THE CHURCH OF GOD THIS COMING YEAR

F. J. Lee

Since the great Assembly has come and gone, yet the memories of that great event linger with us. Many hundreds went to their field of labor with the full intention of being faithful to the Lord and His Church.

The above caption is taken from the orders given to Moses by the Lord when He told him to tell the children of Israel to "go forward." They had been marching with great courage, thinking that they were going to a land of plenty, but they all at once became greatly discouraged when they realized that they were being followed by Pharaoh and his host and that they were hemmed in and could see nothing but defeat, but at the end of much praying God told Moses to go down and tell the children of Israel to go forward.

The Church of God seemed to hear the great command while at the Assembly "go forward," hundreds went away with the determination to no more drag along in the work of the Lord but rather to go forward as in former days, some had neglected assembling themselves together for worship; some had ceased to pay tithes and had grown cold in their experience; some of the ministers had failed to send in their monthly reports, this neglect had created a greater neglect. Jesus taught, that he who is faithful in the least is also faithful in the greater things. That minister who is unfaithful in that which the church has adopted will some day wonder why he isn't having more calls

to pastor churches, or why he hasn't been appointed state overseer, or to some other official capacity. The same rule as stated above laid on from an other angle will tell the reason. He that is unfaithful in the lesser affairs will be unfaithful in the greater.

Let me here admonish the ministers that they go forward in the Lord's work, showing themselves faithful unto every good work. Faithful in preaching, faithful in praying, faithful in reporting, faithful in paying the tithe of their offerings to Headquarters. This being an act in former years, but never repeated.

By going forward faithfully in everything enjoined upon us we will cross the Sea of doubts and march on into Canaan experiences such as we have never found before. There is much territory that has never been explored and much to be taken possession of. Will we drag around in an indifferent and neglectful way, or shall we move up and say, "let others do as they may I am going through, I am going to be faithful." Then you will find yourself being blessed of the Lord, you will be more encouraged, you will be able to encourage others, you will realize that the work is taking on new life. I think sometimes the ministry at large do not realize the responsibility that lays at their door. They can throw a block in the whole thing by their seeming neglect. I have said, that the church will never

More About Annual Assembly

HOLLY RIDGE, La.—I am still praising God for the privilege of attending the 19th Annual Assembly. No tongue can tell the wonderful love that was there, and prevailed throughout the entire Assembly. The inspiring sermons that were given out seemed to thrill all that were present with love, power, and determination to work for the Lord. We felt the presence of our Redeemer so strong that we felt we were nearer heaven than we had ever been before.

The last morning of that week, Tuesday, Nov. 4, when all reports had been given, all business had been attended to, all collections made, in fact we had received much good instructions on different lines of the Master's work, such as Bible school, Sunday school, foreign, and home mission, and of course we were feeling good in our souls when Bro. J. M. Viney went on the platform to give his address on, "Laying Aside Every Weight." He called us to prayer and while bowed in prayer, I was carried away in the Spirit and saw a heavenly vision. It was a great light streaming from the throne of God, right down through the Auditorium as the people appeared in this light as dark specks, but as the light struck them it crystalized them into golden specks and they were going up toward the throne. The light sprang out sending rays of light to every direction. As it came in contact with a black speck which represented a human soul, it would shine dimly through them at first, then I could see the blackness turn to light.

The light just kept spreading and breaking into several more rays and seemingly this was the way it was covering the world. It was so real, I took a pencil and made a sketch of it and spoke to Sister Haddock who was sitting near me, of it. This is another proof that the Church of God is going forth to conquer the world. I want to be crystalized by this light. Pray for me.—Bessie Walker.

Still On Victory Side

ECHOLS, Ky.—This morning finds me still on victory side with the sweet presence of the Holy Ghost. I certainly did enjoy reading my Evangel yesterday with its news from the Assembly, it made my heart rejoice to read of the state calls, but it brought tears to my eyes to find there was not a representative from California. I certainly do wish it had been so I could have been there.

When I read the good testimonies I just feel like we haven't done anything this year, somehow I don't feel like we are where God wants us to be. Please pray that God will have His way, and keep me in the center of His will. I desire your prayers for my family, also my brother. It is my whole heart's desire to work for the Lord, but have been hindered so much. I haven't been in a revival this year.—Mrs. M. E. Bratchor.

they will also drag, if he fails to pray so will they, if he fails to pay tithes so will they, if he fails to report, so will they. Let me say again to the ministry, let us go forward, because there are great possibilities for us this

State Convention West Frankfort, Ill.

The Power of God Manifested In a Wonderful Way. The Saints On Fire For God.

R. A. Fielden

The Church of God in Illinois met at West Frankfort in their 9th annual convention Nov. 14-16.

Services opened Friday morning at 10:00 A. M. Overseer not present on account of sickness. Bro. J. E. Attey took charge.

Bro. P. A. O'Neal brought the message, subject, "Ye are the light of the world." The afternoon service opened with an old fashion praise service conducted by Bro. Toney Ford. The Lord's presence was felt by all. At 2:30 sermon by R. A. Fielden, subject, "Better government." He used Heb. 10:1-2, Jno. 2:5 for a lesson, at the close of this sermon we arose to our feet with uplifted hands, sung, "There's Just One Way to the Pearly Gates." The Lord came down in mighty power and the saints rejoiced and praised God from whom all blessings flow. Adjourned for noon. Friday night service opened with songs and prayer.

Welcome address by the pastor, I. H. Marks. Psa. 7:12, and Deut. 5:5 was used for a lesson. This was followed by a sermon by D. P. Barnett. Bro. Attey made an altar call and several came forward and found the Lord.

Saturday morning service opened with praise service conducted by Sister Fielden and the power of the Lord came down upon us and I am sure everyone present could say of a truth that it was good for us to be here. Sermon by Bro. Jno. O. Yates, subject, "Obedience." 1 Sam. 15:23, "To obey is better than sacrifice." At the close of this wonderful and inspiring message, Bro. Edmonds preached on, "Rooted and grounded." Mark 4:26. Text 1 Cor. 1:10 Eph. 4:11-14.

Bro. Joplin brought the afternoon message, text 1 Tim. 4:16. This was followed by a sermon by Bro. Attey, subject, "Abide in your calling." Saturday evening service opened with a 30-minute talk by Sister Dame, since the other messages given were to the saints, she spoke to the sinners. She used for a lesson "The destruction of Sodom," as a warning to the people of today. This was followed by a message from Bro. Arthur Bixler, subject, "Mind of Christ." Altar call was given.

Sunday morning the praise service was conducted by Bro. Ward, sermon by Bro. W. J. Milligan, subject, "Spiritual minded." 11:00 A. M. sermon by Bro. J. E. Attey, text Isa. 60:1-4, subject, "Church of God." Adjourned at noon.

At 1:30 P. M. service opened with song and prayers, sermon, E. O. Sells, subject, "Stability and stickability," sermon at 2:30 by Bro. Toney Ford, subject, "Be faithful."

At 6:30 the praise service was conducted by Bro. Ford. Following this was a sermon by Bro. Milligan, text Isa. 7:14, 15. The convention was brought to a close with handshakes and

The Christmas Joy

The Babies Pray For Christmas

Nannie Hagewood

It is more blessed to give than to receive. The holidays are drawing near when this spirit (the spirit of giving), pervades the atmosphere.

At this period our minds go back more than 1900 years ago when this became a custom. We think of the babe in the manger because there was no room in the inn, and of the wise men on their way with gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh, being led by the star. It was a wonderful star, it went before them, leading up the hilly country to Bethlehem; then as a living thing, came and stood over where the young child was. The wise men having found the one they sought did not hesitate to lay their gifts upon the altar. They were earnest seekers who did not send their servants but went in person to pay homage to the new born King.

Are we as earnest seekers of Jesus? If they had kept their eyes on the earth or if they had lingered in Jerusalem dallying with its pleasure they would have never been successful seekers of Christ.

To you that are seeking, seek diligently, for the day you seek Him with your whole heart, He will be found of you. The wicked Herod professes that he too, desired to worship the coming ruler. But how useless subterfuge is when the Lord knows our every thought. God knew all the wicked plotting and planning and did not let him thwart the divine purpose. We can truly sing with the angels away down in the depth of our soul. Glory to God in the highest, peace on earth, good will towards man. We love this time, for it is a time when all the world rejoices with us in honoring the King of kings and Lord of lords, yet there is a touch of sadness way down in our souls when we remember the poor. I would that all could say with the Patriarch, Job, 29:16, "I was a father to the poor; and the cause which I knew not I searched out."

Now let me suggest something that will make you happy, also others.

We have not been on the fields soliciting for the Orphans for sometime now, since we had to take the place of one of the matrons, who was called away on account of sickness, therefore we will be short of many things which we would have solicited in this length of time; and being here as we have in the home we realize more than ever how very much it takes for so many little ones, and of course too, they are looking forward to this great time expecting something special and we do not want to disappoint them, do we? Is it not to deal thy bread to the hungry, and that thou bring the poor that are cast out to thy house? when thou seest the naked, that thou cover him; and that thou hide not thyself from thine own flesh. Isa. 58:7.

Suppose every local church and every member puts forth a special effort to send something and give the home a Christmas shower. How nice it would be for Florida to send us crates of oranges, Virginia send apples, Tennessee, beans and potatoes or dried apples; cases of eggs; butter or little dresses; underwear, or over waists for the little boys; hose or just anything your state can afford, we can use everything. We are going to gather around this letter and let all the children pray that God will place it on each one's heart just what to send. Remember if you can't send but a few, or one article it will be appreciated and will probably help out more than you could think for; remember the widow's mite.

I pray that everyone may catch the spirit of the wise men and do your best, and of course you will in no wise lose your reward. When you get your box fixed and cannot take up a collection to pay the freight, send it along C. O. D. "Learn to do well; seek judgment, relieve the oppressed, judge the fatherless, plead for the widow." Isa. 1:17. I'm sure the little hearts will be glad and their faces shine; if you could see how



BIBLE Training School

T. S. PAYNE, Superintendent

I am praising God for salvation. Thanksgiving day has just passed and I truly praise the Lord for keeping me through another year. He has blessed me in so many ways, I can never praise Him enough for the way He has kept me through trials and tests, seems like He is more precious to me every day of my life, though through sickness the Lord has blessed me and kept me from the evil one.

Never in life before was I so willing to endure for my Saviour and see the end of a Christian life for I know that God holds the future in His hand. Though we have trials hard to bear and darkness on every hand yet He is ever near if we only trust Him, who died on Calvary to redeem us. He has proven to be a friend to fallen humanity, a loving sympathetic Saviour who bore our sins in His own body on the tree, surely we ought to praise the one who gives us all that we have in this life. I praise the Lord for the Bible school and for the privilege of attending. God only knows what the future will be. As I write just now (Here in the dormitory) I hear some of the students praying: if you should pass you would say, "surely God is in the midst."

I believe I had rather be right here tonight than any other place I know of under the shining canopy of heaven. "If God be for us who can be against us?" I am truly satisfied. Thanksgiving day was one that will be long remembered by the Bible school students. It was spent in thanksgiving and holy reverence to the Lord. All seem to be satisfied and learning well. God is preparing some one for the battle.

How it brings tears into my eyes to think of the golden opportunity for men and women to prepare for the ministry. Some are unable financially, others are disinterested while some others have decided they don't need to go to Bible school, but it is because they don't know what a grand opportunity it is in preparing themselves for God's cause.

Brother, sister consider this matter before God and see if He leads you to get better prepared to convince the gainsaying world.

11 Added to Church at Twila, Kentucky

TWILA, Ky.—On August 20, Brother Bramlett and wife of Marietta, Ga. came here and held a revival meeting, which lasted about fourteen days. The Lord wonderfully blessed and the saints were encouraged, blessed and strengthened to go on with the Lord. Sister Bramlett gave out some wonderful messages and conviction began to work on the unsaved people, some prayed through to victory. Eight were saved, three sanctified, three received the Holy Ghost and 11 were added to the church.

Brother Fore, our state overseer, came to visit us during the meeting and also some of the brothers and sisters of Harlan attended and helped us in the meeting. The Lord blessed wonderfully at the last of the meeting. The saints shouted, danced and talked in tongues and praised the Lord. I am sure all the church praised God for this revival and for Brother Bramlett and wife being here.

I want to praise Him because he saved me when I was about nine years of age, then about eleven years ago he sanctified me and filled me with the blessed Holy Ghost with the Bible

proud they are of a little new dress or pair of shoes you would feel well paid for what you had given.

We can use any size from 2 to 13 years.

Though we don't live in Jerusalem we can feed the babies and make dumb creatures happy by kind deeds and words.

No animal or human so humble, No creeping thing so small; But that the God who made us, Made and loves them all.

Every young man or woman who anticipates doing something for the Lord should begin to prepare themselves for the vocation wherewith they are called.

I feel sure that if you try one term you will want to come back.

As we study, God blesses our souls, sometimes we are made to shout, weep and pray. Some of the students here are unable to go through the entire term of three months unless they get help but we are looking to God and believe He is talking to the hearts of others who are able to help some boy or girl to prepare themselves for the battle. May God bless every reader of this paper, I will close by saying, "Let everything that hath breath praise the Lord."—A student, H. L. Chesser.

I just want to sound a note of praise through the Evangel for His goodness to me. I praise Him too, for the Bible school, of which we feel is such a blessing to all who attend and which will prove a blessing to others in the future. Each student seems to be learning fast and is very much interested in the school. Our teacher, Bro. T. S. Payne is loved by all.

Each morning when we get to the schoolroom we have three songs and one prayer, by this time we are all feeling good in our souls, some shouting, some crying, and some praying at the same time. I praise God for this wonderful way of holiness. Three years ago the Lord saved, sanctified me and at this time the Church of God Evangel was brought to our home for the first time. There was something in those testimonies that caused an unrest in my soul, I was a farmer and could not work satisfied, for there was a longing in my heart to go to the Bible school so I sold out and came, and have been satisfied ever since.

Dear Christian friend if you are not satisfied with yourself, come to the Bible school and I'm sure you will feel welcome and be satisfied, then you will not only be pleasing yourself but pleasing God. Are you prepared to meet the enemy? If not you should come to this school and equip yourself to meet the enemy on the battlefield.—Carl A. Wiechman.

Many Healed at Gasparilla, Fla.

GASPARILLA, Fla.—We have just closed a 29 days' meeting here with Sister Beulah Ladd in charge, assisted by Brother G. E. Hightower and wife. There were two saved and sanctified and one reclaimed. There were 11 healed at one time by the mighty power of God, praise His name! One sister was suffering severe pain in her side and was almost cold in death, but after much prayer to God she was instantly healed and came out to church that night, for which we give God all the glory.

The last night of the meeting (Sunday) we observed the Lord's supper and washed the saints' feet. The Lord wonderfully blessed, which made his children encouraged to press on in the battle harder than ever before. After the service that night when most of the people had gone home a few of the saints were still at the church. The Lord poured out His blessings on them and gave us some messages, which inspired us and made us feel like Jesus was coming soon.—Jessie Dixon.

EAST STATESBORO, GA.—I am still praising God for salvation through the blood of the Lamb. Glory! I still feel like traveling on to deeper depths and higher heights in His precious love.

evidence of speaking in other tongues as the Spirit gives the utterance. I thank and praise Him for the Church of God, for her teachings, rules and government, because it helps us to walk the Bible way, praise the Lord! I desire the prayers of all who read this that I will get closer to the Lord and be an overcomer.—Ida Miller.

Inspiring Testimonies

CLEVELAND, Miss.—I praise God for the wonderful blessings I feel in my soul just now. It would be impossible for me to tell how the dear Lord has blessed me in the past year. No doubt you have seen quite a number of testimonies from week to week as they would appear in the Evangel, and you might think I have quit writing testimonies to the little paper, but my soul is fed with the spiritual food from above.

It is indeed wonderful and a grand privilege to attend a camp meeting or an Assembly, but I am made to think of the great camp meeting in heaven where we will never have to part or say goodbye.

Let us work while we have the time and opportunity that we may do more in the future than we ever have in the past. So I am going to ask everyone who reads this little piece in the Evangel to please pray that I may ever be found in the center of God's will and do more for my blessed Saviour so that I may be ready to go when he comes for me.

Your brother who is standing for Jesus and the Church of God. Luther Albritton.

WINCHESTER, Ky.—I praise God for being among the living today. This finds my sins under the blood which Christ shed for me, and not only for me but for all who will come to Him. Seven years ago Christ sweetly saved my soul and sanctified and baptized me with the Holy Ghost and fire, the Comforter which Christ said He would send if He went away. Dear ones I want to be ready when He comes or calls for me.

We have been having some good meetings here in Winchester, Ky. We also have Sunday School every Sunday. Pray for us that we will do the Lord's will. We belong to the Church of God. I am glad dear saints the Church of God is right. If we will keep our hearts right with God and do His will, live according to His Word and hold out faithfully, when we lay down the cross we shall receive a crown.

Pray for this little band at Winchester that we may get stronger in the Lord. I have always had a desire to do more for the Lord. I have no chance to get out in many services, but there is one thing, I can shine where I am. So pray for me and my family.—Etta Lakes.

HARNESVILLE, Mo.—We are praising God for sending Brother Frances Martin and wife of Steppock, Arkansas, and Brother H. L. Berry of Roosevelt, Ark. to this place to hold a few nights meeting, as much good was accomplished through the power and presence of the Lord. Souls were stirred and are looking this way because the power of the Lord was manifested in such a wonderful way.

We are expecting them back soon to hold another meeting. Saints pray for this little place and the few little weak workers here. We want to do all we can to win souls for Jesus.—Sallie Martin.

I want to praise God for what He is to me. Praise His dear name. On the night of Jan. 26, 1924 the Lord saved, sanctified and baptized me with the Holy Ghost. Praise His name. I never will get tired of telling how He blesses me. Sometimes Satan wants me to get discouraged, but I am not a bit discouraged, I want to stand true whatever Satan may do. My whole heart's desire is to work for the Lord. If I can't live for Him I want to die for Him.

I see so many girls and boys out in sin, going to the ball games and dance halls in their fine cars, they seem to know nothing about the Lord and His goodness. It makes me have a greater desire to go on. I just want to live so close and true to God that I can turn others to Him.

Mother has always said no one need never tell me anything if they didn't want it told, so when the Lord gave me the Holy Ghost, He told me the news Himself, and for a while let me tell it, and He has never said one time for me to stop, so I guess I am allowed to talk all I want

to for Him. Dear friends, I want all that read this to pray for me that I will ever let my light shine and hold up Jesus wherever I go.—Kate Lee, Little River Fla.

DAYLIGHT, Tenn.—I have thought for some time of writing to the paper as I am a subscriber. Mother and I do enjoy reading it; we get so much encouragement from the many testimonies and other good pieces.

I belong to the Cumberland Presbyterian Church, but am a strong believer in the Church of God of which I hope some day to become a member. Praise the Lord. I was saved twenty-eight years ago and sanctified two years ago last July.

I want to live closer to the Lord and do His will. All who read this please pray a special prayer for me to receive the Holy Ghost. There is no Church of God here but we have meetings in some of the homes, and we have good times with the Lord.—Sister Alice Richey.

BIG TIMBER, Mont.—I feel tonight that I must say a word for the Lord and tell the dear saints what He has done for me. Two years ago He saved me and added me to His Church.

The first of September Bros. Chas. Cook and Paul Walker came here in the mountain and held a two weeks' meeting, and I received the Holy Ghost.

I thank God tonight for His wonderful power. I have truly left the world behind and mean to go all the way with Jesus. I thank God for His faithful servants He sent here, who labored among us so earnestly and

Information Concerning Suit

Readers of the Evangel know, of course, of the law suit pending between the church and those who having been ousted, are attempting to still get advantage of the church's name and influence. Painful as the circumstance may be, it is necessary for this suit to take its course in the courts. Readers of this paper know, also, how irksome it would be to give details of this trial in the columns of the Evangel. Evidence in the case is still being taken and the trial will probably be put on in the late winter or early spring. This will remind all readers that they may get the truth of this trial in the local Cleveland weekly paper, the Cleveland Herald. Readers may get this paper for six months for \$1 or a year for \$2. Orders may be sent through the Evangel or may be sent direct to the Cleveland Herald, Cleveland, Tenn.

WORKING CLASS

Atlanta has an army, Who are going to fight the foe; And are going to win the battle, Gaining the victory as we go.

Our Sunday school superintendent, And the nine teachers too; Delight in teaching children, And telling them what to do.

Of course we have a good school, For which we love to boast; For most every one in it Has received the HOLY GHOST.

We try to increase our number That come to Sunday school; And are eager too, for others, To learn the golden rule.

We try to serve the Master, To be at His command; And then when we have done all, True to Him we want to stand.

Then when we have finished our course, And know that all is well; We surely can rejoice, And more of the story tell.

We truly want to be ready, To go at any time; So let us keep the victory, And stay right in the line.

Now children, let us work hard Today in God's great love; For surely it will take work, To reach that home above.

A tribute to the Atlanta Sunday school, by Lizzie Hunt, thirteen years of age, and a member of the King's Daughters class. She has always been a diligent student, and a winner in nearly every contest.—A. Gann, her pastor.

do pray that God will bless them in their work wherever they go.

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"The Blood of Jesus Christ Cleanseth Us From All Sin."

QUINTON, Ala.—"Come now, let us reason together, saith the Lord: though your sins be as scarlet, they shall be as white as snow; though they be red like crimson, they shall be as wool."

Never in life before have I been so hungry for more of God's blessings than I am this morning. I know my heart is pure and clean before God. I can say I have done all I know to do, have met every condition I know to meet; in fact I feel that I am perfectly resigned to do God's will but my heart is grieved. I am sick O, so grievously sick of hearing people testify to being saved, sanctified and filled with the Holy Ghost and on the way to heaven, that they want others to pray that they may go deeper and stand true. (The testimony is all right but Lord help us to do the moving), and every time you see them they are in the same old rut.

I am made to wonder how folk can keep the Holy Ghost and stay in the same old rut. James 4:6 says, "But he giveth more grace, Wherefore he saith, God resisteth the proud, but giveth grace unto the humble." so if we don't have the grace there is something wrong. I'm afraid some of our people are buried in the old rut and are not aware of it, by indulging little by little in worldliness, not noticing but just carelessly inching along from bad to worse until they are almost covered with Satan's devices. Lord help us that are out of the rut to bend over gracefully and lend our hands, full arm length, lovingly and tenderly to our brother and sister and pull them sweetly from the old ruts where they can get on solid ground and stand as stone walls for Jesus.

James 4:8, "Draw nigh to God, and he will draw nigh to you." Dear ones first let's be sure we submit ourselves therefore unto God, then as the devil comes to us with different attractions of many kinds to allure us from God, then it is when we should hover close to God, cling close to Him until we have heard Him say, "Come unto me all ye that labour and are heavy laden and I will give you rest." "Resist the devil and he will flee from you." This rest is ours if we will resist the devil and draw nigh to God. I know something about trusting the Lord for healing, it certainly means much and very, very much too. We should be very careful about our testimony on trusting the Lord, live, or die.

You don't know so much about the dying part unless you have experienced it. Just a short time ago I was so terribly bad with stomach trouble I could not digest any kind of food, I also had acute attacks with my heart and high blood pressure, either one would make me think I was about gone, but I trusted the Lord and I am still here doing my best for Him. It grieved my mother and companion to see me trust God alone, they thought I should call a doctor, but I knew God was able and I meant to stand.

I thank the Lord for every prayer that went up for me, however, I am not perfectly healed as yet, but just keep praying and I shall be in due time. I want to say too, that I am really delighted to dress as becometh holiness, and that means long hair, and full dress.

—Mrs. Amos Crump.

A True Soldier for Jesus.

MEMPHIS, Tex.—I am praising God for what He has done for me. Though the story may sound old, yet it is ever new, I am saved, sanctified and have the blessing of the Holy Ghost just now. I'm so glad I ever found that holiness was right. I joined the Baptist church about four years ago, but didn't have any religion whatever. I would to God that people would read the Word of God and quit taking man's word for what they believe. I want to continue in this good way and be a true soldier for Jesus. Pray that I may.—Mrs. Dessie Jones.

NOTICES

I have been compelled to work for the past two and one half months, but am ready to enter the evangelistic work again. I am standing for the Church of God foursquare and fighting sin and the devil, anyone wanting a meeting held in Arkansas, please write to me at once, I am at your service. —Stella Watts, Lepanto, Ark.

WANTED—A woman about the age of 48-55 that has salvation and would like to come here and be as one of the family. There is not much to do but I am getting so feeble I can't do anything hardly. No one in family but my husband and son. If you will come, please write me and I will explain more fully.—Mrs. Rasmussen, Summerfield, Ala.

To the Churches of God in West Virginia:

At the 19th Annual Assembly of the Churches of God which convened at Cleveland, Tenn., Oct. 29-Nov. 4, F. J. Lee as Gen. Overseer; Bro. H. N. Scoggins was appointed as state overseer of West Virginia, since he is to be our overseer I think it would be good for all the churches to take up an offering for the purpose of moving his family to the state. Let every member do their very best and send it to H. N. Scoggins, McDonald, Tenn.—Your brother, F. W. Rollins, Leon, W. Va.

To All the Ministers Who Expect to Work in South Carolina:

Whether to evangelize or pastor. Also the clerk of each church, please write me at once as I am now living in the state and am ready to answer calls or to assist you in any way I can. Please let me hear from you at once. Also I wish to announce that Bro. S. D. Cooper is traveling over the state as Sunday school evangelist, anyone needing his assistance may write him. May the Lord bless you is my prayer.—E. M. Ellis, Greenville, S. C., Route 6.

To the Church of God Preachers in Virginia:

As I have been appointed as your state overseer, I ask that each minister write me at once in regard to the work and just what is desired. I earnestly desire the co-operation of each minister and member of the Church of God, and hope that each will render valiant service during the year. I believe if we will just look to Him who has never lost a battle that the Church of God will spread her wings and the enemy will have to go. Wife and I are traveling as rapidly as possible over the fields and hope to see all soon.

Everyone who preaches the true gospel is cordially invited to Virginia.

Your servant in the fight for right.—W. B. Davis, Jackson, Ave., Pulaski, Va.

ILLINOIS SPECIAL NOTICE

To the Churches and Ministers in the State of Illinois:

I take this method of expressing to you my deep regret that I was unable to be with you in the state meeting on account of my son taking seriously ill of typhoid fever.

In this meeting I expected to get in touch with the churches and all them in every way possible in arranging for pastors for the coming year.

I am expecting d. v. to be in the state about Dec. 5, and will continue with you for some time, and will endeavor to arrange for the work and render every assistance possible to both the churches and ministers.

I would appreciate a line from all ministers that desire to work in the state of Illinois this year who have not been assigned their work for the year.

I am expecting to visit all the churches as early as possible and confidently expect the Lord to make this year a successful one.—G. A. Fore, Box 202, Williamsburg, Ky.

To the Churches and Members in Mississippi:

I have been appointed overseer of the Clarksdale district. We are in the battle for another year. The Assembly was great will be long lasting. Let us enter into the work heartily as unto the Lord; put our shoulder to the wheel and make Zion move. Let us make this year count, the best we have

ever had. God has been blessing us and I am sure wants to bless more.

I suppose many of the members are not living near a church. Start a prayer meeting, and get a Sunday school going in your community. Every member can do something. Don't forget to pray. Another thing, don't forget to give a tenth of your income and place it in the church treasury. Be sure you get the Church of God Evangel. I am on the round visiting the churches but if I should not find you, let me hear from you, telling me of your place and work.

Let us all look up and give a good shout and let the blessings flow.

Humbly yours,
P. F. FRITZ,
Cleveland, Miss. Dist. Pastor.

To the Ministers and Churches in Mississippi:

Having been appointed as your state overseer again, will say, I am now in the state doing my best for the work in general and I want to ask a hearty co-operation of each minister and member in the state. Let's work and pray together and blend our efforts and prayers together as one for the upbuilding of the great church we all love so well and all remember that it requires concert action to obtain the very best results.

We need all the ministers we have and can get on the battlefield this year and if you can't get a church to pastor let's get out and hunt us up one. Now we preachers are to be an example to the believer and I'm sure you will agree with me that it is a good example to go to prayer meeting and Sunday school regular with a smile ever on your face and last, but not least, we surely believe it, a good plan to pay tithes, don't we? So this is another good example that we should practice without fail.

I feel sure if we as ministers will do our best on this, the members will not be far behind. Now remember beloved, I love you everyone and will do my best this year for the work, so if you as ministers and members will do your part in all lines (paying tithes as well) I am sure that Mississippi will go over the top for Christ and the Church of God will rise and shine this year as never before. Come on, Come on! I will get to the churches as soon as possible but if any need my service before I reach you, write me at Lake Park, Ga., or if any in a new place need me to hold meetings I will do my best to come or send someone.

Your brother in Christ,
E. B. CULPEPPER.

Singing Teacher

I want to sound a note of praise to God through the Evangel. I feel that God is manifesting His power through the great Church of God as never before. I just want to say right here, there are many calls for preachers but few for singing teachers.

Now stop and think, singing comes first, last and all through the service. Now preachers, we know we want good services, and one good way to have good services is to have good singing. The services are so dry without good singing that your preaching doesn't take the effect it probably would if it was mixed with some good spiritual music. I'm sure you will all agree with me, so let's go to work, get a good school started in each church and go at it in the right way. I for one, teach singing, have taught many schools and am wanted again where I have taught in the past. I feel impressed to let this be known since music is so badly needed at some places.

I have gone to places where I could hardly conduct the services for lack of singers. Some have already spoken to me. If you should need my service, talk this over and write me so I can arrange to reach you as soon as possible.—W. A. Capshaw, Pruden, Tenn.

REPORT

Brother H. W. Poteat, overseer of Maryland, reports good prospects for the Church of God in Pennsylvania, and Maryland. Brother and Sister Bloomingdale are with him and they are having a good meeting at Fruitland, Md. Several already prayed through to victory. Report to follow.

IN MEMORY OF

"Blessed are the dead which die in the Lord."

NELSON

The death angel visited our home and took our dear loving mother, Mrs. J. W. Nelson to rest Nov. 3, 1924. She was born May 10, 1884.

She was a member of the church of God, at Dividing Ridge, Tenn., and had been a faithful member for the last ten years. We feel sure that she is at rest over there on the other shore where there is no suffering and heartaches.

It was hard for us to give dear mother up and we mean to meet her again some day. We miss you, oh so much dear mother, we can never forget you and by the help and grace of God we will all meet you at the throne of God.

She is survived by a husband, six daughters, two sons, six brothers and a host of relatives and friends.

The funeral service was conducted by Bro. W. F. Bryant, who has always been a faithful friend to our family.

DEAR MOTHER

Oh, the memory of that day, As we stood with breaking hearts Seeing the one we loved so dear Taken from us forevermore.

Oh, dear mother and wife how we miss you.

Miss you more than tongue can tell, But in heaven we hope to meet you Where no farewell tears are shed.

As times go by we miss you more. Your loving voice and smiling face; No one can fill your vacant place; Forget you, no we never will We loved you then, we love you still.

Sad and heart breaking was the call Of one so dearly loved But did we think that day, that the dear mother and wife Would be called away?

Our memory is as fresh today As in the hour you passed away, Sleep on dearest and take thy rest And when our life is over We hope to meet you in the land of the blest.

Her oldest daughter,
JESSIE NELSON.

A SAD MOTHER.

BALDWIN, Miss.—I have just been reading the Evangel and want to say it does my soul good to read the good testimonies and articles, and I want to live true to all the teachings of the Church of God, the one I love so well. Sometimes it seems that I have burdens that are too great for me to bear, as I read of the dear ones who have departed and gone to the great beyond. I can truly sympathize with those who have to part with their loved ones. On Nov. 9, I had to give up my infant baby.

It seems sad to say that within the time of one year and twenty-four days I have had to give up three little children, but it is sweet to think of meeting them again, where there is no more parting, no more sad farewells and where the soul shall never die.

O, the bliss of that morn, When our loved ones we meet; With the songs of the ransomed, We each other shall greet. Singing praises to the lamb, Through eternity's years, With the past all forgotten, With its sorrows and tears.

When the trumpet shall sound, And the dead shall arise And the splendor immortal Shall envelop the skies, When the angel of death shall no longer destroy And the dead shall awake in the morning of joy Pray for me and my family.—Mrs. Little E. Hood.

CARVER.

In loving remembrance of Buster Carver who died of typhoid fever Nov. 2, 1924. He was a prominent young man, age twenty one years.

A precious one from us is gone, A voice we loved is still; A place is vacant in our home, Which never can be filled.

Sometimes life is dark and hard, And everything to us seems dreary; Then to think we had to give up our son, Makes life become weary.

We realize the loss is great but we know he is now at rest for he was so true to home and his church. He was saved, sanctified and was seeking the Holy Ghost. He leaves to mourn his death, mother, two sisters, one brother and a host of friends.—A sister, Pauline Jackson, Waihalia, S. C.

State Overseers

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GREEN.

On Oct. 19, 1924, the Lord in His infinite wisdom reached down on the little old trail about thirteen miles from Chattanooga and claimed little Lowell son of Mr. and Mrs. E. Green, of Campaign, Tenn., as they were driving to the Assembly. Little Lowell was a bright and intelligent child of one of his age. He was just one year and four days old when he left his loved ones and went to be with Jesus. But we sorrow not as those who have no hope, because we count Him faithful who said "Suffer little children, and forbid them not, to come unto me; for of such is the kingdom of heaven." The writer was summoned to go to Campaign, Tenn., to conduct the funeral service. His body was laid to rest there. The father and mother have our prayers for deepest sympathy in their sorrow.—S. F. Beard.

TODD

On Nov. 21, the death angel visited the home of Bro. and Sister Todd, and took away little David. He leaves to mourn his death, father, mother, six little brothers and sisters; grand parents and a host of relatives. We know not why God has plucked this little one out of this home, but we do know it was for His glory. He returned thanks at the table, ate a hearty supper and departed this life to be with Jesus at one o'clock in the morning. The funeral service was conducted by Bro. J. A. Hipps and the remains laid to rest in the Beckworth cemetery to await the coming of Jesus.—Vannie Ogilvie.

JACKSON

The death angel visited the home of Charley and Lillie Jackson and called their little boy, Iry Albert, home to be with Jesus.

Little Albert was seven years of age, he is missed very much in grand mother's home. We loved him but God loved him best and took him home to glory where he can forever rest.—His grand-mother, Mrs. Janett Hightower, Roanoke, Va.

VEAGEY.

DODD CITY, Tex.—On Friday morning, Oct. 24, 1924, Sister Nellie Veagey was taken to her reward in glory. She was only afflicted two or three days with blood poison on her face. She received the baptism of the Holy Ghost four years ago and has been a loyal member of the Church of God ever since. She was laid to rest in the Union Grove cemetery.—S. J. Wood.

GARLAND.

Bro. Anderson Garland departed this life Nov. 9, 1924.

He was saved, sanctified and filled with the Holy Ghost and a minister of the gospel, in the Church of God. He leaves to mourn his death, a comfortable home and a host of friends and loved ones. The bereaved have our sympathy. The funeral was conducted by Bro. L. E. Jones, Jellico, Tenn.

Gets Hungry to Meet God's Children.

SCHLATER, Miss.—I praise God this morning for the blessings He has bestowed upon me, though I haven't had the privilege of attending church but twice this year. We don't live near a church and you may know I get hungry to see and meet with God's children.

I want to praise Jesus for His healing power, sometime ago my baby had a real sore mouth, I sent a handkerchief to Bro. L. G. Rouse, and in two days after I mailed the handkerchief the baby's mouth was well. I had been suffering with my eyes for a year, at times I could not do any kind of work or bear the light, when this handkerchief returned I put it on my eyes and now they never bother me.

He has healed me many times, I can never praise Him enough for what He has done for me and my family. I ask that everyone that sees this to pray for me that I may do the will of my Father.

Sister Olive Patridge, if you see this, please write to me.—Mrs. J. L. Burton, Schlater, Miss.

Hearts Melted Together in Unity and Love.

SMITHFIELD, N. C.—I want to praise God through the paper I love so well, for being saved, sanctified and the Comforter, the Holy Ghost abides. I thank the dear Lord for being in the dear old Church of God for I love her rules and government. I thank the Lord also for the privilege of attending one Church of God camp meeting at Washington. Oh, how wonderful the Lord did bless His children and they were melted together in unity and love.

Though some were strangers, they seemed like home folks, for truly we are at home at such a place as that. We all bear the same name and have the same Father.

The enemy tried to keep us from going, for the night before, my little boy was taken sick with a high fever and my husband was not willing to go and leave him, as he is a sinner

and can't trust God, but I said, "let's go and trust God with the boy." We went and asked for prayer for him when we got there and when we got home he was well. Pray for me that I may stay true and humble.—Minnie Braswell.

Threw Away Snuff.

ATLANTA, Ga.—I am praising God this morning for His power to save souls from hell. Oh, I know there is power in the blood of the lamb.

I'm so glad that I am in possession of the blessed Holy Ghost, and am living the life to the very best of my knowledge. By living the life nine years my husband has come in the way, praise the Lord.

He is now saved from an awful sinful life, has thrown away his snuff and filthy habits. In fact he is a new husband.

Pray that my husband may receive the Holy Ghost.—Allie Guyton.

More Settled in the Church.

CHERRY, Tenn.—I want to sound a note of praise through the Evangel for my Redeemer. I thank Him this morning because I am still full of the Spirit and more determined to go through with the Lord and His church than ever before. I am more settled in the church than ever before. We have been having some good meetings at this place.

This is a new field but the people are stirred here. We certainly can report a good meeting at Mack, Tenn., Bro. Gillett and wife were in charge. The Word was given out with power, and the people are very much interested.—A. L. Griffin.

A Worker in the Vineyard.

WEST PALM BEACH, Fla.—I want to sound a note of praise to God through the Evangel for saving and sanctifying me by the blood of Jesus and for baptizing me with the blessed Holy Ghost. I am a worker in His vineyard. I had been working for the Lord for seven years without making it known to any except those I worked among, but it pleased the Lord to call me to the front this year so I want to remain in the front till He calls me home to meet Him. Pray for me.—Mrs. Helena J. Forbes.

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A GOOD REVIVAL.

PARKERSBURG, W. Va.—Recently the Lord blest us with a real good revival, in which there were five converted, four sanctified, and two were baptized with the Holy Ghost and with fire.

Fourteen followed the Lord in water baptism; some of this number had been backsliders, and were reclaimed; and some were members of other churches.

The Lord manifested His approval in the baptismal service by His presence, and by richly blessing His people.—B. E. Drummond, Parkersburg, W. Va.

Delighted With the Church of God.

GALLOWAY, Ala.—I want to praise the Lord this afternoon for His wonderful love for me, to save, sanctify and fill me with the blessed Holy Ghost.

I feel His presence now. Some are hunting something new but I praise God that the church stays new to me. Hallelujah.

I thank God for the church in Lakeland of which I am a member.

Am truly glad Jesus heals. Let's look up dear saints and press forward. I am glad I had the privilege of attending the Assembly this year. Oh, it was grand. Pray for me.—Lemon Easter.

Doing Our Best for Him.

MANATREE, Fla.—I want to praise God this morning for I am still saved, sanctified and filled with the Holy Ghost. Sometimes the way seems dark but if we fight to the end we are sure to win. I am still trusting God for healing and He is so faithful in this promise to heal. Husband and I are both members of the Church of God doing our best for Him who has done so much for us. I feel like traveling on. Pray for me.—Mrs. M. L. Wingate.

The Time is at Hands When We Need to Pray

Watch Therefore: For ye know not what hour your Lord doth come

When we see the leaves turning and falling from the trees, we know it is a sign that winter is nigh and we have but a short time to prepare for cold weather.

So it is in our Christian experience. We can now see many signs of Christ's soon coming. Now is a time when we need to pray. People are running to and fro, in a careless way, to theatres and other places of amusement, but they don't find time to serve God. They are starving for salvation, and know not for what they hunger, seeking rest and finding none.

We should live a spotless life before them that they may see the spirit of God in our lives. I truly believe that the harvest is ripe and God is calling for laborers, but very few are willing to step out and say, "Here am I Lord, send me."

We should be glad to suffer persecutions for Christ's sake, and the saving of lost souls. God only wants those who go with a willing heart and for the love of lost souls. Not for money or a big name. Oh, what an awful thing it is to know that people are going to destruction because we fail to tell them. God does not give us salvation to sit down and enjoy and keep to ourselves. There is something to do besides shouting, dancing and talking in tongues. We can't stay on the mountain top all the time. We must go through the valley and carry some burdens. If we could all realize that we need a deeper experience ourselves instead of talking about others' faults, I believe we would see more souls saved.

Without prayer we can do nothing. We cannot pray too much.

Jesus spent forty days in fasting and prayer; so if Jesus needed to pray that much, surely we, so small and weak, need more.

God has many blessings in store for us, but we have not been willing to accept them. We should, each one, find the place He has for us to fill and fill it cheerfully. I am determined to spend more time in prayer and study of the Word of God, that I may let my light shine forth and fill the place He has for me. I want to be a soul winner for Jesus.—Murra Dorsett.

Preacher Needed In New Field

THREE SANDS, Okla.—I would like for some Spirit-filled Church of God preacher to come to this needy place and preach the full gospel.

There are some good people here that would gladly accept the true Word of God if they could hear it. There is a small band of saints here but I think there is three different kinds of doctrine being taught, and the devil is right after them seemingly, so pray earnestly for this place. I am the only one here that believes in the Church of God, but I know she is right and again I ask your prayers.—Ethel Langdon.

Like Heaven To Be There.

DE QUINCY, La.—I was unable to attend the 19th. Annual Assembly but I think I did my part praying for the success of it, and from the reports it must have been like heaven to be there.

About the time of the close of the Assembly I was injured very badly by getting my eyes and shoulder burned at the plant, but Jesus came to my aid and in less than two hours after the accident happened all pain had left me, bless His name. I was unable to see for a little while but I just kept trusting in God and within five days I could distinguish objects very plainly at fifty yards. I can now see well, and this happened about two weeks ago.—P. B. Powers.

A New Field is Opened in Virginia

INDEPENDENCE, Va.—As I have never written to the Evangel I will now send in my word of praise. I praise the Lord for victory over sin and the devil, and for leading me up to where I now stand with Jesus. Oh, it's so wonderful to trust in Jesus, when we come to a place that we don't understand what to do, we can just call on God and wait until He answers and we will understand and know what to do. It certainly does grieve my heart to see so many that once had the blessing, now gone back and are living in the miserable condition of a backslider state.

We must stay humble and let Christ lead the way. "Now if any man have not the spirit of Christ, he is none of his" truly His Spirit when obeyed will lead us right.

There are new fields opening up in Virginia and we need help. The harvest is truly ripe but the laborers are few, however, I believe our prayers will be answered: we are praying for God to place it on someone's heart to come to this place. In spite of the oppositions the Lord is wonderfully blessing us in the prayer-meeting.

I praise God for His wonderful works, for the Church of God and the privilege of being a member, of which I mean to stand true.

Please pray for this place.—Everett L. Poe.

Rejoice in Persecution

LAWTON, Okla.—As the days approach we will need to be bound close together. As we are rapidly approaching the end of the age there is a heart feeling everywhere among the children of God that they should all be bound together in that great love and fellowship described in the Word of God. It's so strange to me that so many people pray for unity, yet so few meet the requirements of the Bible to obtain it. It is Satan's business to divide while the Lord works to unite, however, God demands His people to separate themselves from evil.

Let us put on the whole armour of God. The faithful soul will fear no evil for Jesus the victorious pilot is faithfully waiting to carry the true soul safely across death's dark river. Psa. 23. We realize there is much opposition to this way, but remember the words, "blessed are ye, when men shall revile you, and persecute you, and shall say all manner of evil against you falsely, for my sake. Rejoice, and be exceeding glad: for great is your reward in heaven." Matt. 5:11. We don't have any thing to suffer compared to what Jesus had to suffer, so then, shall the little things that come up separate us from the love of God? Pray earnestly for the work at Lawton.—Mrs. Celia E. Pippin.

Church Settled and Established

COAL WOOD, W. Va.—I want to say the church here at Coal Wood is still shining and climbing and we are praying for God to still bring us up higher. Have just closed a few days' meeting here, conducted by Bro. J. H. Coffey. The Lord poured out His Spirit upon him and the word went forth with power, sinners were convicted and saved, three were sanctified and four filled with the Holy Ghost. I want the saints everywhere to know that the church at Coal Wood is still settled, established and even strengthened.

Let's keep our eyes on Jesus and not give up for He has said in His word that He would come as a thief in the night so we must stay awake and keep our eyes on that bright city. My husband is a minister in the Church of God, we desire your prayers that we may ever be found doing His will.—Mrs. J. H. Coffey.

Little Cripple Boy.
SHORT MOUNTAIN, Tenn.—I am glad I can report victory in my soul tonight, I am saved, sanctified and filled with the Holy Ghost and am more determined to do more for the Lord than ever before. I have a little boy who is a cripple and I want all who read this to pray that the Lord will heal him.—Bertha Melton.

Lord Blessing Colored People in Florida

WILLISTON, Fla.—I am glad to report victory through the precious blood of Jesus. I am so glad today finds me saved, sanctified and baptized with the Holy Ghost. Praise the dear name of Jesus. I praise Him for showing me the light on His Word and making me willing to walk therein. I have been in this way for nearly eight years and it seems only a short time. I am delighted with this highway of holiness. I have no desire to turn back, but I feel like traveling on.

A meeting closed here Sunday night, July 13th, in which the Lord wonderfully blessed. Brother Sapp began the meeting with a few days' help from Brother Dolphus Tidwell, after which Brother Sapp continued alone for ten days, but the Lord was there and people were saved, sanctified and filled with the Holy Ghost and the altar was filled most every night.

The last ten days we were there we had Sister Katie Hall of Branford, Fla. with us. The Lord wonderfully blessed her in giving out the Word. The messages were given with such love, it was enough to melt a heart of stone. While the weather was very disagreeable, the crowds were very good. The heavy rains only hindered one time from having service. On the last Sunday night the house was filled and would not hold all the people. Sister Hall preached her farewell sermon on the Signs of His Coming. It was sad to see the meeting close and so many unsaved, but God has a few here and there who welcome the truth and the seed sown fell upon good ground. While many stood back, three were baptized with the Holy Ghost, two were sanctified, three were saved, one reclaimed, nine baptized in water and eight received into the church. God's presence was so near as His children shouted His praises, and waves of glory filled the house. It was a real feast to our souls and we feel like pressing on. We are expecting Jesus to visit us here when He returns for His bride.

We truly love Sister Hall, she is fully consecrated and has a great love and hungering for souls to be saved. We are sure her pleading and crying over lost souls will haunt them even in a lost world unless they repent. Anyone wanting a deep spiritual evangelist can make no mistake in securing Sister Hall. We are glad the Lord sent her here. May God bless her untiring efforts for lost souls, and many stars adorn her crown when Jesus says it is enough.

Our dear pastor has labored so faithfully, I feel sure he has received some of the fruits of his labor for this year. Thus ended our meeting with a smile of God's approval. God bless all of the dear saints. Pray for me that I may make the landing safely.—Mrs. L. W. Hood.

Lives Fifty Miles From Church

HALE CENTER, Tex.—I praise God for saving this soul of mine from hell, sanctifying me and filling me with the blessed Holy Ghost, and now I feel like I am on the road to glory.

I used to belong to the Church of Christ and lived in 2 blocks of the church but never had any desire to go to the services somehow, but since I joined the Church of God I live about 50 miles from the church and enjoy it so well that I hardly ever miss a service.

I am so thankful that my family is in this way, pray for us that we may go all the way with Jesus.—Birtie Epper.

Entangled With the Snares of This World.

BELTON, S. C.—I love the Church of God and believe it is the real Bible church. I also believe the Lord has power to do anything we ask of Him and is His delight to give unto us the gifts that are promised if we only believe.

I am a backslider and am so entangled with the snares of the devil until it seems that I just can't meet the conditions and get victory in my soul. I ask that everyone pray for me that I may be saved and healed of kidney trouble, also a breaking

A Vision From the Lord

FT. LAUDERDALE, Fla.—One night in the month of June the Spirit of the Lord began to work with me after I had gone to bed a little after twelve o'clock, and fixed me where I could not move and this continued until about 8 o'clock the next morning and in the midst of this most wonderful vision; I looked and beheld at the foot of this step a man with shining raiment on, a shining sword in his right hand and a banner in his left hand. Then I beheld a great number of people coming toward this step and beheld they were walking two abreast, and they walked orderly around the man that was standing at the foot of the step with the sword in His hand. This continued until all of this great number of people went by.

After this, came a larger number coming the same way, but was not mindful of how they were walking. They were coming all clustered up together with one man in front, but to their surprise, the sword was drawn upon them and also the banner was presented before them and they were all to a standstill looking upon this banner. This calls my attention to what was on the Banner. There was written on it in bright shining golden letters THE CHURCH OF GOD. Truly, beloved saints of God, I see we must walk in order or the sword of the Spirit will be drawn upon us. Now, may God help us to walk in order and God's Word (the sword) will direct us.—James A. Wallace.

Healed of Asthma

SURRENCY, Ga.—I want to sound a note of praise through the Evangel as it has been impressed upon me for the last three days.

About two weeks ago, I was suffering in body with asthma or something of that kind. I could not sleep at nights, I was choking so bad. One night while I was sitting up reading the Evangel I decided to send a handkerchief to Cleveland to be prayed for. I promised the good Lord if He would heal my body by sending this handkerchief I would testify to it through the columns of the Evangel. About a week ago the handkerchief returned, and I have been perfectly well ever since. Praise the Lord!

I have been healed many times before, but it soon came back upon me. I believe I am healed definitely this time, and I can sleep good at nights. I mean by His help and grace to go all the way with Him.—Sister Vannie O. Quinn.

The Right Will Win

ODUM, Ga.—The meeting has just closed at Piney Grove church, Oct. 19, had a glorious revival the power sure did fall and the devil worked in various ways but the right will always win, as the song says, and so it did. The devil was overthrown and the victory won, one reclaimed, one received the Holy Ghost. The power fell Sunday, Oct. 19, as the preacher, J. A. Sapp by God's help gave out the Word with great force, the text taken from Gen. 24:3. After service dinner was served then at 4 o'clock, we were gathered at the water, where the baptism took place, there were eleven baptized and the crowd marched back to the church and we took the pictures of the ones who were baptized. The night service took place at 8 o'clock and the Lord was with us. The service closed, by singing, "God Be With You Till We Meet Again."

(Miss) Clara Ogden.

TESTIMONY

ALABAMA CITY, ALA.—I want to praise God for a full and free salvation. I thought I would write a few words of praise for the blessings we received during the State Assembly, which was held here at this place, June 18th to 23rd, 1924. The Lord sure did bless us all together. Praise the Lord! Brother R. S. Robinson delivered a wonderful sermon on the Church of God, Brother Nance out on my hands. Pray for my husband.—Josie Burnett.

8 Receive Holy Ghost at Angerona, W. Va.

ANGERONA, W. Va.—Brother Laud L. Vaught has been here and held a month's meeting. He came here on June 28, and dedicated the church to the Lord. We had an all day service with plenty of dinner and lemonade on the ground. We had a large and attentive audience, and the Lord blessed wonderfully.

Brother Vaught stayed until the 28th of July and preached the Word with great power. There were some saved, sanctified and eight filled with the Holy Ghost. He fed us some strong meat, a little too strong for some. The Bible says there will come a time when they will not endure sound doctrine.

Brother Vaught was with us again last Saturday and Sunday nights, (Sept. 13, 14) and the Lord blessed us by giving another one the Holy Ghost.

May the Lord bless Brother Vaught and all that have been here to help us. Pray for the saints here.

"Humble Yourselves"

CLEARWATER, Fla.—"Humble yourselves in the sight of the Lord and he shall lift you up." James 4:10. Isaiah 35:8. "And an highway shall be there and a way, and it shall be called the way of holiness." When we humble ourselves in the sight of the Lord, He will send convictions upon us and show us that we need something that we do not have, so when we repent of our sins He casts them into the depths of the sea, writes our names in the Lamb's book of life and puts us on the High Way; then He sanctifies us. He lifts us up again and puts us in the way of Holiness; then we go on and He gives us the Holy Ghost; the oil in our vessels and our lamps burning bright.

Every temptation we overcome, lifts us up a little higher, but if we let anything overcome us, we begin to drop down where we find fault in our pastor and many other things. I have heard it said, I can overcome what the worldly folks say about me, but when it comes to the saints, it hurts me and I can't feel right toward them. James says speak not evil one of another, brethren, but humble yourselves in the sight of the Lord and He shall lift you up above what anyone else will say about you. I praise God because I have been lifted up in the Church of God at Largo, Fla., and I am on my way to heaven, feeling good in my soul, saved, sanctified and the Holy Ghost is abiding. The Lord is our healer too.—R. B. Spring.

of Jacksonville also delivered an able sermon. Brother Hall preached Sunday evening on tithes and sure did open the eyes of the people. Praise the Lord, for men who will preach the Word just like it is laid down.

I want all who read this to pray for us here at Alabama City that souls may be saved during the revival.—E. L. Cornutt.

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